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CLASS PLANS TO GIVE MACBETH THIS SPRING

Dramatic Interpretation Group Rehearses for Annual Play

FANCHER TO DIRECT

Ahearn Takes Leading Role; Roehrick Chosen for Part Of Lady MacBeth

The Class in Dramatic Interpretation, under the direction of Professor Paul A. Fancher, is already hard at work on its spring Shakespearean production, "Macbeth". The high standards of the presentations of the last two years, "Hamlet" and the Falstaff scenes from "King Henry IV" and "King Henry V" has given the present staff something to aim at. Fortunately Professor Fancher has found in J. D. Matthew Ahearn and in William G. Roehrick on excellent Macbeth and Lady Macbeth. Roehrick's experience in playing the roles of Shakespearean heroines is probably unequaled by any actor, amateur or professional, on the modern stage. In 1932, he did the part of Ophelia, the fragile heroine of "Hamlet"; in 1933, with considerable versatility, he became that engaging lady of easy virtue Dame Quickly, the bosom friend of Falstaff; and this spring will find him playing the role of the ruthless Lady Macbeth. Ahearn has also had much experience in Hill dramatics, and is a member of the Charlatans. The following is the cast:

Duncan, King of Scotland
John L. Brown
Malcolm, Donaldbain, his sons
Arthur Hengerer
Franklin Ely
Macbeth, Banquo, Generals of the King ... J. D. Matthew Ahearn
Sol M. Linowitz
Macduff ..... John C. Becker
Lennox ..... Robert Miner
Ross ..... Theodore F. Halsey
Fleance, son of Banquo
Franklin Ely
The Porter ..... Judson B. Hall
Seyton ..... John C. Becker
The Three Witches
Adrian H. Courtenay
William Palmer
John A. Handy
Doctor of Physick
Adrian H. Courtenay
First Murderer .. John F. Byrnes
Second Murderer, William Palmer
Third Murderer .. Edward Risely
Lady Macbeth
William G. Roehrick

German Students to Present One Act Play

On Saturday evening in the Hall of Commons, the German movie "The Brothers Karamazov", was presented as the second in a series of foreign movies which are being brought to the Hill through the efforts of Professor King. The picture had as its star Miss Anna Sten, who recently made her debut on the American screen in the motion picture "Nana". She was supported in the male role by Fritz Kortner.

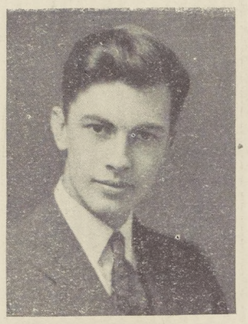
The next picture will be Shu[illegible]'s "Fruhlingstraum", to be shown on Saturday night, March 24, while on the following Thursday the last of the series, "Zwei Menschen in 3-4 Zeit" will be presented. On this same evening, Professor King will present a one-act play, in which the parts will be entirely in German and taken by some of his students.

The action of the play, the name of which is "Beim Arzt", takes place in a doctor's office. The patients come in with a great variety of troubles to ask the doctor's advice. He consults them one by one prescribing remedies for them. The play ends with a telephone call for the doctor calling him to a railroad accident.

The cast is as follows:

Dr. Stegemann
Allan C. Rearick, Jr.
Fraulein Hammermann
Rudyard E. Eldridge
Fraulein Muller, David R. Cochran
Herr Schmidt .. George N. Mey'
Frau Lehmann, F. Andrew Millham
Herr Schneider .. Gardner Smith
Herr Metz .. George E. Beilby, Jr.

Will Play Lady Macbeth



W. G. Roehrick, '34

Library Will Issue Index of Books In Bulletin for March

Prof. Ibbotson Lists Many Interesting New Gifts And Acquisitions

A new issue of the Hamilton College Library bulletin is now being prepared by the college librarian, Professor J. D. Ibbotson, and will be ready in a few days. It will be the second in a series of announcements in which the library will inform its readers about its recent acquisitions. The bulletin issued in February was [illegible] to supply a long-felt need; although it will not be possible for the librarian to mail copies of the bulletin to every student on the Hill, it will be sent to all the fraternity houses and to members of the faculty. Students may obtain individual copies by applying at the main desk in the library.

The March bulletin will list many new acquisitions. Prominent among recent gifts to the library is the contribution of Alexander Woollcott, of the class of '09, who during March sent the library a total of thirty-eight volumes, including a de luxe edition of his own new book "While Rome Burns", in a beautiful, and unusual binding, It is inscribed by Woollcott as a gift to the Hamilton College Library and is number 48 of a limited edition of 500 copies. It has been placed, for the time being, in the Browsing Room. Among other recent gifts is an autograph letter from Jose de Sant Martin, the Liberator of Peru, which is dated November 26, 1821; it was donated by Senator Root. Interesting also is the contribution of Henry Neff, '34, a copy of the program of the speeches delivered at the Junior Exhibition of Hamilton College for the year 1826; the program includes twenty-seven speakers, with several Latin and Greek orations in the list.

The library will soon arrange a shelf devoted to the exhibition of books recognized during the year 1933-34 for their typographical beauty. Every year a committee representing several societies interested in the art of printing meets and selects the fifty most perfectly-produced volumes of that year. Thirty-five of these volumes will be available to our library users. They include such books as "Rockwellkentiana", "Julia Newberry's Diary", "Paris to the Life", the Random House edition of "The Brothers Karamazov", etc.

Alpha Delts Win Interfrat Hockey Championship

Playing superior hockey throughout the series, the Alpha Delts won the interfraternity championship Thursday by defeating a hard fighting Chi Psi sextet, 2-1. Larry Smith and John Edwards starred for the winners with one goal apiece, while Massoth made the lone tally for the Chi Psi's. The outcome came as no surprise, as the Alpha Delt team, featuring four regulars on the freshman squad, waded through their opponents in the first three rounds with comparative ease.

In the semi-finals the Alpha Delt hockey team defeated by the score of 2-0, the Psi Upsilon outfit which had drawn a bye in the first round. The Chi Psis fought their way to the finals in one of the most exciting games of the series by eking out a 1-0 victory over the Dekes.

Biology Club Plans to Meet in April

Originally scheduled for the 21st of March, the next meeting of the Biology Club will not take place until the 11th or 12th of April, when it will be held at the Theta Delta Chi House.

G. H. Kittell, '34, will speak on the causes of tooth decay and Dental Caries. J. M. Cairns, '35, will discuss the modern research that is being done on diabetes—not only on the causes and conditions of this disease, but also on the search for a cure other than the administration of insulin which must be continued constantly during the life of the patient. R. W. Hurd, '35, will speak on the causes of bird migration—a subject which has been widely discussed, but about which, very little is known definitely; and B. B. Hickock, '36, will give a review of Professor Ditmar's recent lecture on reptiles and strange animals.

Hamilton Will Send Representatives to Debate Convention

Hamilton College will be represented by nine men at the New York State Debaters' Convention, which will be held at Colgate University on April 27 and 28, according to an announcement made by Professor Calvin L. Lewis, coach of debate. The Hamilton delegates will include the following: Walter J. Moore, Howard B. White, both of the class of 1934, and J. D. Matthew Ahearn, John L. Brown, Halsey V. Barrett, Edwin M. Clough, John A. Handy, Sol M. Linowitz, and James N. Rockwell, of the class of 1935.

The first of these annual debaters' conventions was held last year at Syracuse University, at the suggestion of Governor Lehman, The Hamilton delegation was honored at this first meeting by the election of John J. Walsh, '33, as president of the convention.

The committee on arrangements, composed of Professors Calvin L. Lewis, J. V. Garland, Colgate, R. H. Wagner, Cornell, and M. C. Dickins, Syracuse, has decided to follow last year's precedent and has chosen state problems for discussion. These include State Tax reform, State public relief, and the public utilities problem, as restricted to gas and electricity. These topics will be approached realistically and will be treated from the point of view of reaching a genuinely practical solution. Each delegation going to the meeting is required to submit its solution for the problem it is discussing at least ten days before the opening of the conference.

Phi Beta Kappa Takes Five New Members

On Friday evening, March 16, Epsilon Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa held its first meeting of the current year at the Faculty Club for the purpose of initiating five new members. The initiates include; Harold Alexander Barry, David Allen Fraser, Richard Lawrence Jones, John Joseph Klimek, and Elmer Emerson Yelton, Jr., all of the class of 1934.

This group, the second to be elected from the present senior class, was formally introduced into the society following the reading of a paper on the subject of the trials of the economist in his search for the truth by Professor F. L. Patton, of the Economics Department. The ceremony was attended by a large group of resident members of the society, the majority of whom are at present affiliated with the Hamilton faculty.

By virtue of the election last year of Harold Bengloff, Coleman Burke, Harold Fehrer, and John Moses, the class of 1934 now boasts a quota of nine fully elected and duly initiated members of Phi Beta Kappa.

Tau Kappa Epsilon entertained the faculty at an informal smoker last Thursday night. Refreshments were served at nine o'clock.

HONOR COURT CONTROVERSY STILL RAGES

Representative of Court Answers Charges Made In 'Continental'

NOON'S STAND SCORED

Burke Assails Critics; Says They Now See 'Light Of Day'

Discussion continues to rage over the Honor Court, which has been so widely discussed in Hill publications during the past few weeks. In this issue **Life** is glad to print the answer which Coleman Burke, the president of the court has made to the article which William T. Noon wrote for the last issue of the "Continental".

Burke Defends System

To the Editor of Hamilton **Life**:

The Honor Court is addressing this letter to you, because it feels that an answer from the Court to be published in Hamilton **Life** is called for by the recent article of William T. Noon in the "Continental", in which Mr. Noon prophesies that the Honor System will lapse into innocuous desuetude unless the student body is aroused from its lethargy and the Court stops compromising the System by its "weak and ineffectual recommendations to the faculty". The first part of Mr. Noon's article is along the lines of an editorial on a "Dishonor System" appearing in your columns a few weeks ago, and thereby enables the Court to reply to both criticisms at once.

Criticism Based on Ignorance

The members of the Court would be the first to agree that criticism and advice are warranted in order to insure a wise administration of the Honor System. However, when this criticism is based upon an ignorance and even a misconception of the facts involved and then is disseminated among the undergraduate body in editorial and feature-story form, it is time that explanation be made for the benefit of 450 misguided undergraduates and any outsiders who might get the idea that the Honor System at Hamilton is a "washout"—to use the popular slang. It is quite interesting to note that the man who wrote the editorial confessed hat he had never seen the slightest sign of cribbing since he had been in college; Mr. Noon on the other hand, seems to have had thrust upon him from every side, evidence of and whisperings about examination fraud. The Honor Court wishes to know what became of the mysterious Biology exam that Mr. Noon "nervously asked" to be handed in unsigned. And furthermore, if Mr. Noon wished to protect that student, why does he bring the incident up in a published article? Is this the way he "assumes the inevitable and disagreeable consequences of (his) responsibility to the Honor System"?

Recommendation Misunderstood

All the recent criticism was caused by a recommendation made by the Court to the faculty last January before the mid-year exams. This recommendation was misunderstood by some of the faculty, and therefore grossly misunderstood when passed on by them to the select group of lesslethargic undergraduates. But let it be known that the Court takes full responsibility for its error in rendering a recommendation that could be so misunderstood. It puts no blame upon certain members of the faculty and students for responding as they did. Accepting it as they understood it, some of the faculty acted as though the recommendation was a law handed down ex cathedra, and was to be enforced willy-nilly. It was not a law to force undergraduates to be "arranged alphabetically during examinations, one seat part"! Under the Honor System, one man can take his exam in another man's lap if he so desires, and the Court would be the last to make a rule taking away this hard-won privilege. The Court made its recommendation as the result of several cases arising from the unfortunate proximity of

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Topic for McKinney Debate Announced

At a faculty meeting yesterday afternoon the Reading Committee of the faculty announced that the topic for the McKinney Prize Debate for 1934 would be a discussion for and against the Union of Germany and Austria.

The men who will debate this timely question will be six seniors, Coleman Burke, Harry Donley, David Fraser, John Moses, William Noon, and Howard White. They have been chosen on the basis of outstanding grades in three years' work in debating.

The McKinney Debate is supported by a fund started by the late Charles McKinney of Binghamton. It provides two prizes of fifty and twenty-five dollars for the two seniors placing first and second in the contest. This year the debate will be held in the college chapel on the evening of Wednesday, May 23, at 8:00 p. m.

Colgate Fencers Are Defeated by Hill Swordsmen 11-17

Hamilton fencers won their second consecutive match from Colgate last Friday afternoon in Soper gymnasium by winning 11 out of 17 bouts, in a meet marred by poor fencing on both sides and by a number of disputed decisions. The victory was the Hill team's third of the current season with only a defeat by Yale to spoil a perfect record.

In the absence of a neutral official, the coaches and members of the competing schools served as judges and referees of the bouts, and dubious decisions by representatives of both colleges considerably slowed up the progress of the match, one bout even being fenced over again.

Hamilton's margin of victory came as a result of capturing five of the nine foils bouts, two of the four epee contests, and by sweeping the sabre division with the loss of only one bout. This unexpected strength in the sabre division proved a fortunate surprise to Hill supporters, for the results in the other two divisions were less satisfactory than in the previous meet with Colgate which the Hill fencers won with the loss of only three bouts.

Captain Ballard and Scanlan, with three victories apiece led the scorers for the afternoon, Ballard capturing all of his foils bouts, while Scanlan won two points with the sabre and one with the epee. All the other Hamilton fencers to score were single winners. Montrose, Bates and Dale each contributed one point in the foils division, Bremer broke even in his two epee fights, and Scanlan with his two sabre victories plus Johnson's win with the same weapon completed Hamilton's scoring.

Thompson was Colgate's individual star accounting for two points in the epee division with triumphs over Scanlan and Bremer.

Columbia is the next opponent to be met by Coach Gelas's swordsmen, who will journey to New York on Saturday to engage the metropolitan team on their home grounds. The following week-end will again find part of the Hill team in New York, this time for the National Intercollegiates to be held March 30 and 31 in the Hotel Commodore.

President Announces Senior Committees

Jason S. Morrow, senior class president, has announced the following senior committees which will make arrangements for the various activities during commencement week:

Senior Ball—Scott, chairman, Miner, Neff, Roehrick.

Ivy Planting—Cooley, chairman, Clay, Constantinides.

Class Gift—Barden, chairman, Harding, Young.

Class Day—Collins, chairman, Burke, Behr.

Cap and Gowns— Katz chairman, Strully, L. V.

Invitations and Programs—Folley, chairman, Morrow.

Public Affairs Lecturer

Reinhold Niebuhr

Hill Debate Teams Meet Two Rivals; Lose One Debate

Contests with Albany State And Dartmouth Occur During Week

A Hamilton debate team, composed of J. D. Matthew Ahearn, '35, and Dennis Livadas, '36, upheld the negative of the proposition, Resolved: That propaganda is a constructive force in the world today, against Albany State Teachers College in an interesting contest in the chapel last Wednesday evening.

The Albany speakers, K. A. Christian and B. R. Pritchard were accompanied by their coach, Professor Harold Thompson, who graduated from Hamilton with the class of 1912. While on the Hill he was valedictorian for his year and was distinguished in many lines of extra curricular activity, especially in debating. Since his graduation he has become well known for his work in teaching and critical writing.

The speaking of the evening was opened by Mr. Pritchards of the affirmative who pointed out that in the present organization of society propaganda was a necessary force to move the sluggish current of public opinion and that a few new ideas of social or economic worth had been put over successfully without its use. The second Albany speaker, Mr. Christian, contended that bad propaganda, by acting as a boomerang, destroys itself, and the only propaganda that survives for any length of time is that of the beneficial sort.

Mr. Ahearn, presenting the Hamilton case, gave specific illustrations of the harmful effects that modern propaganda has had in the fields of religion, education, politics, and economics. The negative arguments were concluded by Mr. Livadas, who summarized his attack against propaganda under five points: it appeals to emotions and not to lgoic; it creates public opinion only to exploit it; it is a presentation of falsehoods; it destroys the work of education; and it deadens the mind and promotes the apathy of the masses. Professor C. L. Lewis presided as chairman of the debate.

The visiting speakers were entertained at dinner at the Emerson Literary Society; a small reception for them was also held after the debate.

The debate with Dartmouth took place last Friday evening, when H. B. White, '34, and Walter J. Moore, '35, traveled to Hanover, N. H., to defend the negative of the proposition, Resolved, That granted Capitalism is a failure, Fascism is a better way out than Socialism. The Dartmouth team was declared the winner by Professor Earl H. Sykes of the Dartmouth economics department, who acted as critic judge, scoring both teams' organization of material, according to the Associated Press dispatch. The Dartmouth team was composed of C. H. Brown, '35, and James B. Gidney, '36. The rebuttal speakers were Mr. White for the negative and Mr. Brown for the affirmative.

DR. R. NIEBUHR GIVES SPEECH IN HILL CHAPEL

Union Professor Gives Last Lecture of Public Affairs Series

PREDICTS OLIGARCHY

Discusses Disintegration of Democracy in Present Social Crisis

Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr, professor of Christian Ethics at the Union Theological Seminary, spoke on the subject, "Disintegration of Democracy in the Social Crisis" in the last of the series of four political science lectures in the College Chapel last night.

Impressing his audience at the outset with the difficulty of defining the term "democracy", Dr. Neibuhr suggested that it might be thought of as the embodiment of that trinity of ideals, Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity. Liberty, he said, developed during the past century with the increase of popular government, suffrage, and religious toleration. The term "fraternity" involves the use of the ballot, and more especially, the rational solving of the conflicting interests of different social groups.

Explaining a bit more fully the second of the trinity of ideals, the speaker claimed that two conflicting schools had developed, each of which had a separate way to attain equality. The first considered all inequality due to the interference of government in economic affairs and thought that the suppression of governmental interference would lead directly to equality, while the other school maintained that universal suffrage, giving the common man power over the government, would secure the ideal.

Contrary to the popular concept of democracy as an absolue entity, Dr. Niebuhr feels that democracy is more relative, changing with the political idealism of the social classes. From being a natural fact, as it is assumed to be in the Declaration of Independence, it should be regarded as a spiritual, religious truth, and neither as material nor as absolute. Elaborating his concept of democracy as a relative entity, the speaker believed that the facts of history reveal that democracy is especially relative to the interests of the commercial classes.

A critical analysis of the opponents of democracy reveals that they fall under two cassifications. They are the Mussolinis and Hitlers of the world, who preserve at any cost the status quo of society, and the radicals, whose paramount concern is the destruction of present-day society.

Democracy has decreased slightly because of the falling apart of the trinity of ideals, continued Dr. Neibuhr. There are those, he said, who care only for liberty; others who want equality but care nothing for liberty. In addition, the

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Virgin at Large Offered in April

"A Virgin at Large", by William T. Noon, '34, the Charlatan Prize Play for 1934, will be presented in the Hall of Commons soon after spring vacation, probably the last week in April.

According to the custom established by Charlatan Prize Plays, this year's play deals with college life and particularly with Hamilton College, as did "Save My Child", by William Sloan, '32, the prize play for 1932. In "A Virgin at Large", the scene is laid backstage on the night of the annual Miracle Play presented by the class in Dramatic Interpretation.

The following men make up the cast:

Rowe ..... William T. Noon, '34
Ranger ..William G. Roehrick, '34
Harvey .... Roger G. Cooley, '34
Holiday .. William E. Price, '34
Hughes ..... Gardner Smith, '34
Pritcher
Adrian H. Courtenay, Jr., '35
Morton ..... Judson B. Hall, '35
Collins .... George P. Bates, '36

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IN PRAISE OF REPRESSION

Outside of a few of the stricter monastic institutions, Hamilton probably holds the All-Eastern record for student repression. Morning chapel is still compulsory. Social diversions are limited to two house-parties a year. The nation has declared that beer is legal, but this college clings to absolute aridity. The free elective system has been widely adopted elsewhere; Hamilton still maintains that certain courses are as necessary as castor oil—they're good for you, whether you like them or not. Dreamy, long-haired esthetes are forced to take algebra. The hard-headed naterialists groan through English Composition and Ltin. Timid, shy souls, who blush and stammer, are obliged to endure four painful years of public speaking. Everything is either "absolutely compulsory" or "strictly forbidden".

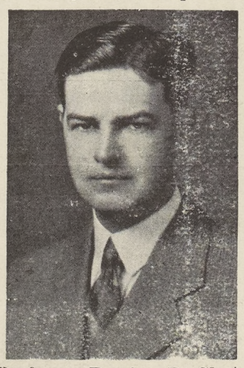
And how the undergraduates love their shackles! Rumors of revolt are always in the air. Sophomores, returning from the office in the glory of another delinquency, spend pleasant hours cursing the dean. The long-haired esthetes fill many a lonely afternoon quite happily walking in the glen and venting their loathing for algebra.

It is disheartening to pass from the Hamilton campus, where the tonic of repression is still administered in bracing doses, to one of our more emancipated colleges, where there are no traditions left to shatter, where discontent has grown desultory and lean, where nothing is left to rebel against. Chapel isn't compulsory, written exams have been discarded, the free-cut system is in force. In these advanced institutions there are no eagle-eyed mentors checking up on student manners and morals. Consequently, on this Hilltop undergraduate sin still manages to retain a wickedness, an unholiness, a zestful, forbidden tang; but regard the distressing state of wrongdoing at, say, the University of Wisconsin, or the University of Michigan. At these places sin has lost most of its old fascination. The old plots and the conspiracies against the established order have entirely disappeared, since there is no established order worth speaking about left.

We Hamiltonians, through all these modern movements to cast away student restriction, have been kept firmly in the harness; through all these discouraging days of collegiate freedom, we have alway had something to rebel against—sometimes three and four things at once. It has kept up our morale; for nothing is more disheartening for a defiant undergraduate than to be allowed to do just as he wants to. When a flaming youth announces to his elders that he is going "to live his own life", he has at least the right to expect some opposition. No doubt it is Hamilton's ability to supply this opposition, and supply it strenuously, that is one of the elements of her success in training the college animal.

Professor Shute Admits Bafflement In Finding Out How Many Saints Were In It

"But don't ask me how many saints there were in it", protested Professor Shute vigorously. "That's what everybody has asked me, and I can't tell them; because no one knows, least of all Miss Stein herself." Fresh from attending a performance of the modernist opera "Four Saints in Three Acts", Professor Shute is of the opinion that



Professor Berrian R. Shute

people may still listen to Bach and Beethoven now and then.

He firmly believes that "Four Saints" is not to be taken too seriously and suspects that Gertrude Stein herself may have her tongue somewhere in the vicinity of her cheek when she finds admirers investing the production with symbolic qualities which she never meant to put there. He is quite in agreement with a recent editorial in the "Tribune" which characterizes the opera as "Mother Goose on the Montparnasse". Obviously Miss Stein has no definite idea in mind, since "Four Saints" is so constructed that one may, with perfect liberty, make it mean whatever he wants it to mean.

There is nothing radically modern or revolutionary about the music as music. However, it does have an amusingly satirical flavor about it, especially in third act where Virgil Thomson, who wrote the score, has parodied the conventional operatic aria. Thomson, whom Professor Shute knew as a student, has given us conventional melodies, and has not attempted to introduce the device of dissonance into the music. Some of the score is distinguished, some mediocre, and a great deal merely commonplace. Removed from the interestingly unintelligible company of Miss Stein's subconscious prose it would lose a great deal of its appeal. Professor Shute is convinced that Thomson has not done anything in this opera which will be of permanent significance or influence modern music to any great extent.

However, aside from any questions of ultimate durability or of abstract artistic significance, Professor Shute admits that he found the adroit verbal and musical acrobatics extremely amusing and diverting. The cellophane cyclorama, the sympathetic interpretation of the admirable artists from Harlem who comprised the cast, the delightful air of impossibility about the whole production endowed it with a definite entertainment value. The choreography was the feature of the opera which impressed Professor Shute the most forcibly. "It was superb", he said.

Alumni Notes

By Professor Edward Fitch

Rev. Fank P. Leach, '86, listening at his home in Sioux Falls, S. D., to the broadcast of the choir, made immediate record of his impressions as follows: "Voices from the air bring back slumbering memories of half a century ago and stir the heart strings beyond the power of words to express. My congratulations and hearty thanks to all who contributed to the success of the broadcast."

Elmer W. Treiss, '01, head of the foreign language department in the Newark, N. J. high school, was the translator of Einstein's "Thoughts on Education and on American Schools in Particular", which appeared in the morning papers of March 14. The famous physicist had sent this brief document in German to the high school that planned a celebration of his birthday.

Announcement has been made of the approaching marriage, on April 4, of C. Ingals Fisher, '32, son of Clarence Fisher, '00, to Miss Marion Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hughes of Utica, N. Y. Fisher was a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity.

Alfred S. Brown, son of Professor Horace S. Brown, a graduate of R. P. I., '26, and a Yale doctor of philosophy in chemistry, '29, has recently been appointed to an instructorship in Colgate University, in connection with newly instituted Colgate Plan of preceptorial work. Dr. Brown's research work in chemistry is in course of publication by the Rochester Institute.

Theodore C. Day, '31, is completing the third year as a teacher of history in the high school at Webster, N. Y.

Prize Essays Are Due After Easter Recess

As spring recess approaches, it should be recalled that all prize essays and orations are due before 12 noon April 14, the first Saturday following the opening of college after the recess. Papers submitted for the William Duncan Saunders prize, however, are not due until May 1. These competitions are open only to those in regular standing. Each paper must be signed with a fictitious name and be accompanied by a sealed envelope containing the real and fictitious names of the author. All orations and essays are subject to the honor system and the signed pledge must be in each sealed envelope.

Eligible undergraduates may compete in as many competitions as they desire. The Clark Prize oration should contain about 1,200 words and should not exceed 1,500 words. The Pruyn, Head and Kirkland orations are limited to 1,200 words. Other essays may not contain more than 3,500 words with the exception of the Soper Prize thesis which is not limited as to length.

The Clark Prize oration is open to seniors and provides prizes for seniors excelling in original oratory. Subjects for 1934 are as follows: The Plight of the Farmer; German Nationalism of Today; Hitler and the Jews; Fascist Tendencies in America; Our New-Found Leisure; The Rise and Fall of the Banker; The French in Present-Day Canada; Foreign Missions Under Fire; Labor and the NRA; Warden Lewis and Prison Reform; The Decline of the Senate; Education for Peace; Tammany Hall; Adventures with Bacteria.

The Head Prize oration, open to seniors, on a theme relating to Alexander Hamilton has for its topic this year, Alexander Hamilton, the Young Statesman. Open to seniors is the Kirkland Prize oration which has for its subject in 1934, The Mission and Message of Amos. All seniors are also eligible for the Cunningham Essay prize competition which yields $25 for the best essay on some phase of the life of Abraham Lincoln. This year's subject is, The Patience of Abraham Lincoln. Seniors who are taking a second or third year course in economics are eligible for the Soper Prize thesis on a topic in economcis. The prize is $75 and the subject for 1934 is, The Monetary Policies of the Roosevelt Administration.

Under a revision of terms, the prize is $50 for the best oration on both seniors and juniors now. The prze is $50 for the best oration on The Political Duties of Educated Young Men and this year's topic is, The College Graduate as a Community Leader. Also open to juniors is the Kellogg essay competition which provide a book prize. Women Writers in Modern Fiction and T. S. Eliot are the juniors subjects for the essay.

The Hutton Essay prize which yelds $25 for the best essay on a subject in Biblical history is open only to sophomores. The Apocryphal Books of the Old Testament is the topic for 1934. In the Kellogg competition, sophomores have one subject, Hamilton Alumni Writers of Today. The Kellogg competition is also open to freshmen who have as topics, The Milk Strikes of 1933 and The Freshman and the Fraternity. Book prizes are provided in the Kellogg competition.

Open to all undergraduates is the Cobb essay prize competition which gives $25 for the best essay on journalism. Chester S. Lord, Editor, is the topic for this year. Also open to all students is the William Duncan Saunders Prize in English Writing which yields $200 for the best piece of undergraduate writing either submitted in manuscript or published before the beginning of the second semester. This prize was won last year by R. H. Martin, '34, with his essay on Lytton Strachey.

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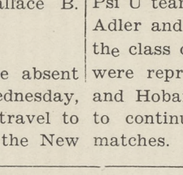

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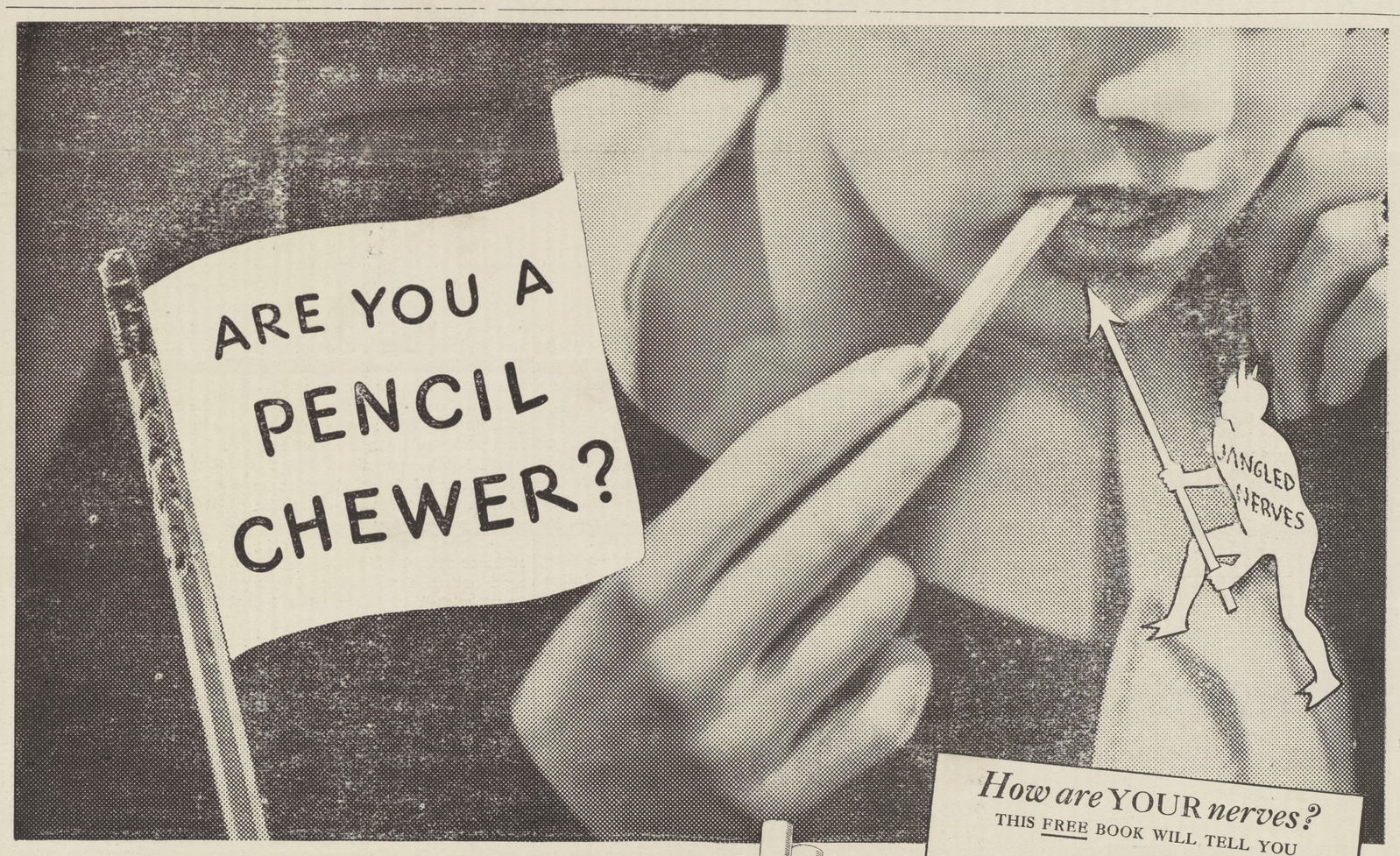
The Associate Dean of Harvard School of Business Administration, Professor S. T. Foster was on the campus yesterday afternoon. He was available for an interview to all men who were interested in taking work in business administration. While on the Hill Professor and Mrs. Foster were the guests of Registrar Wallace B. Johnson, at his home.

President Ferry will be absent from the Hill on Wednesday, March 21, when he will travel to Boston. He will address the New England Association of Hamilton Alumni at a dinner meeting at the Hotel Touraine on a topic of educational interest.

In a match held last Friday evening at the Delta Kappa Epsilon House, the Psi U's defeated the Dekes in chess, 2 1-2 to 1 1-2. The Psi U team was composed of John Adler and Kent Bradford, both of the class of 1937, while the Dekes were represented by Judson Hall and Hobart Romig. It is planned to continue these interfraternity matches.



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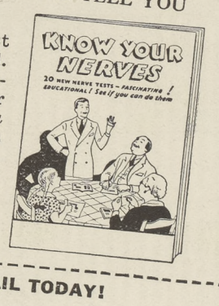

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Controversy Persists Over Honor Court

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seats in the Biology and Chemistry buildings. It had no idea that its recommendation would receive much attention in the Hall of Philosophy and the Language Building, and that it would be handed down as a rule instead of a suggestion. The Court hoped that its recommendation would be carried out in the form of a request—not a mandate—to undergraduates to space themselves, in rooms where a more healthy condition (in all senses of the term) was desirable. Despite sprinklings of adverse comment, the Court is sure that the great majority of undergraduates received its recommendation thankfully. But if any particular man has his sense of honor insulted when he finds himself one of a group that is requested to spread out in an examination room, let him surround himself with four other companions to demonstrate his honesty and then forevermore hold his peace.

Honor Court Not Hedging

The Honor Court is not weakening or hedging on its recommendation. This recommendation was misunderstood at first, and the Court takes full blame for that part of it, but if carried out as a request and not a ukase, a plan for some sort of spaced seating in examination rooms should greatly enhance than detract from the efficacy of our Honor System. This recommendation was made principally because in some rooms men are made very uncomfortable by the fact that it is almost impossible not to see the next man's paper. And any reasonable person knows that the Honor Court isn't attempting to remove temptation two feet farther from the sinner or to make a Johnsonian definition of "honor".

Was Mr. Noon Clear on Case?

And now to answer Mr. Noon's criticism of a recent decision of the Court—he speaks of the "significance of a few of the recent decisions" of the Honor Court, but can mention only one of them. Mr. Noon was not present when the case was tried and his report of the proceedings is wholly hearsay. What is more, he would not take the trouble to examine the papers containing the evidence of fraud before publishing his article. Thus he is in no position to condemn the attitude of the Court as "weak". And the members would like to know whom the writer was quoting when he said that "the facts in the case were never very clear". If anyone wasn't very clear about the whole thing it was Mr. Noon.

In order to protect the men who come before the Honor Court, little publicity is given to its proceedings. It should have more! But if anything is damaging to the Honor System, it is articles that have little factual basis and portray forebodings and admonitions of the malpractices that go on under the System. If a cynical minority of underclassmen are "signing the pledge "with the left hand" it is the fault of the upperclassmen and particularly those like the alarmists who wrote your editorial and the article in the "Continental". Fortunately few people seem to have agreed with the articles, but for those few this explanation was necessary. The Court has no qualms of conscience about its decisions this year, and it is happy to discover that most of those who took a few passes in the dark at the "spaced seating" recommendation have seen the light of day.

Respectfully,
Coleman Burke,
President.

Alex Woollcott, Hill's Foremost Wit, Fiddles "While Rome Burns"

Perhaps there is someone who does not know that the United States has gone off the gold standard; perhaps someone does not know that Roosevelt is now president of the United States. But it is doubtful whether any man, woman, or child in this country does not know that Alexander Woollcott went to Hamilton College. He is publicity man par excellence for this "old and sturdy" institution.

We find several anecdotes of his college days in his latest book, "While Rome Burns". The volume has been placed, for a short time, in the Browsing Room. It is in a special limited edition, inscribed by Woollcott to the College Library, and is bound in one of the smartest bindings of the season. Most of the short sketches which appear in it have formerly been published in the columns of "The New Yorker". We find the anecdote of his part in the Alpha Delta Phi pledging, when he effectively frightened prospective pledges away, by sitting on the Alpha Delt porch, wearing a disreputable fez and calling coyly "Would you like to join our fraternity". More interesting perhaps to the present undergraduates is the sketch called "My Friend Harpo", in which Woollcott describes the charms of Professor Rudd's poodle of that name, who is such a prominent campus and classroom figure for us. The book as a whole, containing many reminiscences of the theatrical and literary worlds where Woollcott has so many friends, is extremely amusing and diverting.

The library also possesses the newest book by another prominent Hamilton alumnus, whom, unlike Woollcott, scarcely anyone knows went to Hamilton. This is Ezra Pound who has recently collected "An Active Anthology" containing poems by E. E. Cummings, Ernest Hemingway, T. S. Eliot, Marianne Moore, and of course, Pound himself. The preface, written in Mr. Pouid's sulphurous and controversial prose, is perhaps the most readable part of the book. In it he attacks many living and a good many dead authors and institutions, and points out the fact that "young men are now lured into colleges and universities largely on false pretences".

WINTER SPORTS AWARDS

On Thursday morning, March 22, the letters for winter sports will be awarded, according to the decision of the Executive Council, which held an important meeting last Sunday evening. It was also decided that the captains of next year's hockey and basketball teams would be elected on Wednesday. An important amendment to the Constitution was also considered. This amendment will be found posted on bulletin boards in the gymnasium and the library.

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Car Barnes, after religiously reading and re-reading "From Beowulf to Thomas Hardy", has stumped our Jimmie Thorp, who has mastered Lit 1-2, 9-10, 7-8, 15-16, 5-6, is in the middle of 3-4; and who is at present nursing a wound incurred by stepping on his own track shoe; with "For mercy sake, Jimmie, what was it that Mr. Beowulf gave to Thomas Hardy anyway?"

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Prettyman must have had a stinger on when he thought that one up—baseball on skates!

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Things were in a terrible state last week in the Bugs lab. Butch couldn't find his old bald rat for the final experiment on hair restorers. Saturated with the scientific spirit, however, he was undaunted, and promptly secured Ed Risley to pinch hit.

We might also add that Risley is now a lab assistant—the "experiment" was a howling success.

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Now that the frost is off the ground, it's about time the Govern Bros. started their spring plowing.

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Perhaps some of you have noiced a wee light burning in the Dean's office. He's busy framing a new rule whereby Captains Harding and Miner will also be ineligible.

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DR. McGREGOR SPEAKS IN CHAPEL ON SUNDAY

"The open door to happiness is not through material beings, but through obedience to the love of God," was the theme of the sermon preached in the Chapel Sunday by Reverend Robert G. McGregor, D.D., of the North Avenue Church of New Rochelle, New York. Dr. McGregor read as his scripture lesson the familiar Beatitudes, and he took as his text the twelfth verse of Psalm thirty-four: "What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?"

Each of us "loveth many days", the speaker stated, because God has made us that way; but together with many days we should desire happiness. "Many of us confuse pleasure and happiness," he said, and he emphasized the fact that pleasure is only transient."

A large crowd enjoyed the informal dance which the Tau of Delta Kappa Epsilon held at their house last Saturday evening. The Glen Lane Orchestra furnished the music. The Lambda Chi's also gave a dance on the same evening.

Many Attend Lecture On Russian Novelist

On Friday evening, March 16, at the Theta Delta Chi House, Dr. Ursula Rossman, Professor of Russian and German at Bennington College, Vermont, gave an informal talk on "Dostoyevsky and the Brothers Karamazov". The speech served as an introduction to the German movie, "The Brothers Karamazov", which was shown in the Hall of Commons on Saturday night.

The first part of Dr. Rossman's talk dealt with the life of the Russian author, Dostoyevsky, and his influence on Russian culture. Many of the incidents in the author's works actually took place in his own life, Dr. Rossman said.

Dr. Rossman then outlined the story of "The Brothers Karamazov" and concluded by saying that Dostoyevsky, although a popular author, could hardly be called successful. In his work as a whole, no single idea which might be of interest to youth is left out. Today, however, he ranks with Tolstoi.

Following the talk there was a short question period.

Championship Bridge

The champion bridge team of Clinton composed of Mrs. Harvey Cameron, Miss Ethel Smythe of Clinton, Professor George H. Perrine, and Coach Arthur Winters met defeat recently at the hands of a Utica aggregation. Consistently poor hands, not any weakness in bridge techinque, accounted for the downfall of the Hill group, according to the reports of spectators.

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Sol N. Linowitz, '35, and Herman Speh, '36, will represent Hamilton in the debate against Union. They will uphold the affirmative of the question, Resolved, That Germany should adhere to the provisions of the Treaty of Versailes. Each speaker will present a speech in direct argument for 15 minutes, and each side will have one rebuttal speech of five minutes. Sol Linowitz will give the rebuttal speech for Hamilton.

On Thursday evening, March 29, James A. Rockwell, '35, and Sol N. Linowitz, '35, will journey to Syracuse to meet a team representing Syracuse University. Rockwell and Linowitz will uphold the affirmative of the question, Resolved, That Germany should adhere to the Treaty of Versailes. The debate will be broadcast by Station WFBL from 11:30 to 12 midnight. Each speaker will speak for seven minutes with no chance for refutation.

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The Calendar

Wednesday, March 21
Interfraternity basketball finals at 4:40 P. M.

Saturday, March 24
Fencing meet with Columbia University.

Monday, March 26
Indoor track trials.

THETA DELTA CHI AND E. L. S. ENTER FINALS

With the annual interfraternity basketball tournament having advanced through three rounds, the contestants have been narrowed down to Theta Delta Chi and E. L. S., who will play for the championship tomorrow afternoon at 4:30.

Playing in the second round on Wednesday, the Chi Psi's rolled up an impressive score to defeat Tau Kappa Epsilon by a 20-8 count. Harding of the victors led the victors with 9 points and Thomas of T. K. E. was second with 6 points.

In the second game E. L. S., defending champions, came from behind to defeat Delta Upsilon, 33-16, after trailing behind, 7-4, at the quarter. In the second half the Emersonians broke loose scoring twenty-six points to clinch the game. Pugh was high scorer for E. L. S. with 19 points to his credit. Day and Hauser took scoring honors for the D. U's, each scoring four counters apiece.

The semi-finals Saturday afforded the spectators plenty of thrills when the Chi Psi's were handed a 21-14 defeat at the hands of the Theta Delts in a fast, hard-fought game. In spite of the fact that the Chi Psi's were seriously weakened by the loss of Harding and Osterhout, the score at the end of the third quarter was 15-11. It was only in the last quarter that the well-coordinated Theta Delt attack became effective and the score began to roll up. White scored six points for the victors, and Van Allen and Swartout each made two baskets for the Chi Psi's.

The E. L. S. victory over the Neutral quintet was marked by the shooting of Pugh, who chalked up eighteen points for the Emersonians. In the first half the defending champions managed to nose out a 9-6 lead with difficulty, but the second half showed the E. L. S. quintet clearly superior. Latham scored nine points for the victors and Gillette six for the Neutrals.

Professor and Mrs. A. P. Saunders will again be at home to the student body next Sunday afternoon. There will be music at 4:00.

DR. NIEBUHR GIVES SPEECH IN CHAPEL

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fact that in many cases a clear majority of those desiring a form of government, for instance, is almost impossible to obtain, indirectly leads to a hindrance of democracy.

Germany served as a good example of this last point. In the pre-war days the Socialist party had a following of 46 per cent of the German populace, but was apparently too moral to take over the reins of power without the true democratic 51 per cent. Consequently, years of waiting for the needed 5 per cent netted the Socialists nothing, as the Hitlerites, with only 40 per cent backing them, swept themselves into office. At this point, Dr. Niebuhr asserted that he believed it proper for a group having as near a majority as had the Socialists to establish themselves in power and to build up the needed percentage by means of a stable government.

In conclusion, Dr. Niebuhr stated, democracy will disappear and reappear, time and time again. All of it, however, does not disappear, as there are certain eternal values which the younger generations coming forth with new ideas always manage to preserve.

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